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FOR KUX NEA/INS FROM SCHNEIDER

1. I ALSO MISSED THE POUCH THIS WEEK.
 2. WE WILL GET YOU BETTER SUMMARIES OF PRESS REPORTING AND COMMENTING ON NUCLEAR SUBJECTS. YES, TURNING THE INDIANS AROUND ON SAFEGUARDS WILL BE VERY TOUGH. YOUR TELEGRAM ON WHY SAFEGUARDS WON'T SLOW DOWN THE INDIAN PROGRAM WAS VERY HELPFUL. WE WILL PUT IT TO USE. TOO BAD THE INDIANS HAVE A CONFLICT WITH THE JAPANESE FOREIGN MINISTER ON JULY 21, BUT MEHTA THOUGHT THEY COULD DO BOTH, DEFERRING TALKS WITH US UNTIL THE AFTER-NOON. I URGED THE 21-22 DATES ON THEM ON THE BASIS THAT IT WOULD BE VERY DIFFICULT FOR NYE TO COME LATER. WHO WILL ACCOMPANY NYE?
 3. I NOW PLAN TO LEAVE NEW DELHI ON JULY 25, ARRIVING IN WASHINGTON THAT EVENING. I WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR CONSULTATION IN THE DEPARTMENT ON JULY 26 AND 27. I WOULD APPRECIATE ORDERS FROM NEW YORK TO WASHINGTON AND FROM WASHINGTON TO BOSTON, AS THAT IS WHAT I WILL HAVE TO ADD TO MY EXCURSION FARE TO GET TO WASHINGTON. I WILL GO TO BOSTON ON THE 28TH AND REMAIN THERE UNTIL AUGUST 11, THEN I WILL RETURN TO DELHI. I WILL LEAVE MY WASHINGTON SCHEDULE TO YOU. PLEASE SEE IF I CAN CALL ON AMBASSADOR
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LAISE FOR A FEW MINUTES.

4. HOW DID IDA V COME OUT AT THE BANK?
5. GOI CAUTION ON BILATERAL AID IS INDICATIVE OF THEIR AMBIVALENCE ABOUT OUR RELATIONS. ON ONE HAND, THEY COULDN'T BE FRIENDLIER. FOR EXAMPLE, THE WHITE HOUSE

FELLOWS WERE RECEIVED WITH LITTLE PERSUASION ON OUR
PART BY THE PRIME MINISTER, TWO MINISTERS (A THIRD HAD
TO CANCEL), THE SPEAKER (TO BECOME PRESIDENT) AND THE
FOREIGN SECRETARY (TWO HOURS). ON THE OTHER, THERE
SEEMS TO BE A RELUCTANCE TO MAKE THE SORT OF PUBLIC
COMMITMENT TO OUR RELATIONS WHICH BILATERAL AID IMPLIES.
I BELIEVE THEY FEAR THEY MAY BE REBUFFED BY THE USG IN
A WAY WHICH WOULD BE PUBLICLY (AND POLITICALLY) EMBARRASSING:
THEY RECALL IT HAS HAPPENED BEFORE. WE WILL HAVE TO
LEARN TO LIVE TOGETHER AGAIN.
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